

THE KAISER'S KISS.

The True Story of Wilhelm II's Imperialist Buss.

The Emperor Wilhelm II, of Germany, has, in addition to other eccentricities that none but the God-crowned can successfully indulge in, followed in the footsteps of our own Hobson, and, last summer, at Dusseldorf, smacked the rosy lips of the great German tragedienne, the Baroness von Strantz, professionally known as "Anna Faehring." This "bussing" has become a sort of international episode, and now that the Baroness is in the United States, the attention of the whole country is attracted to the incident.

Mr. J. Leander Karez has kindly translated from the Jewish Gazette, an interview with the frisky Anna, especially for THE HERALD, which we give below and which explains the whole thing:

"Yes, I was by Kaiser Wilhelm kissed, in Dusseldorf once; yes, it was to me nice—you speak German? Is that not too bad! I could in German good explain how de Kaiser it did."

"This was sad last night by Baroness von Strantz, known on the German stage as Anna Faehring. The stately actress arrived on the steamer Trave on Wednesday night, and is staying at the Hotel Bellevue. She was asked to tell the much-heralded story of the imperial oscillation at Dusseldorf. The Baroness is a fine type of Teutonic classic beauty. She is more than six feet tall, has an alabaster complexion, long brown hair, which hangs in nonchalant profusion over her shapely shoulders, and a perfect form. No better figure can be conceived for the role of "Germania," with which she enchanted the ruler of the Fatherland."

"Why you make a great fuss over that kissing episode in the Zeitungs here and over the other side?" continued the Baroness. "Yes, the Kaiser has me kissed, but the Zeitungs—how—how you say it? Oh, yes—exaggerated it. How big you the Emperor think? He is only five and a half feet. Now come to the 'speigle'; you are as big as the Kaiser. Now, see I a foot taller stand. Now, how could kiss you or the Kaiser me without I permit? No it is the truth this way: In Dusseldorf a big fest once was. The artistic fest committee had me fixer for the title role in 'Germania.' During the fest I a poem to the Kaiser read should: 'Hoch der Kaiser, dreimal hoch!' From every throat came 'Kaiser! Kaiser! Kaiser!' Kaiser then shook me all up and my hand good pressed and kissed—but not my lips. He not reach my mouth could."

The Baroness exhibited with great pride a magnificent diamond studded bracelet which the Kaiser gave her on that festive occasion; also, a fine silver shield, which the Kaiser's grandfather, two weeks before his death, presented to her when she played the "Maid of Orleans" in German for the first time. This is the Baroness's first visit to America. She says that the most beautiful scene she ever witnessed was the sight of New York and its charming harbor from the deck of the Trave yesterday morning.

Paul's Boyhood Exploit.

Oom Kruger, who has been president of the South African Republic almost from its formation, evidently became a hero to his Dutch-African early in life. Like the Hebrew David, with his fadeless renown of victories over a bear, a lion and a giant when he was only a shepherd lad, the Transvaal chief enjoys among the Boers popularity always enhanced by the memory of his fearless boyhood.

When seventeen years old, Paul—a barefooted boy, whose father was too poor to buy him shoes—was driving home a borrowed yoke of oxen and cart, when the animals took fright at a large panther, and ran away.

Paul's little sister, who had been allowed to go with him in the cart "for a ride," was thrown out upon the ground, and the panther, leaving its pursuit of the oxen, was about to seize her, when the boy rushed forward and seized the brute by the throat. In the struggle that followed, he was terribly torn by the panther's claws, but he kept his hold with fierce determination until he choked the monster to death—loss of blood, he carried the frightened child home; but it was long before he recovered the remarkable strength which had been so cruelly taxed. More like Samson than like David in his encounter with the wild brute, he won with "nothing in his hand."

President Kruger to days bears not only the marks of the great cat's nails, but the character he first impressed upon his fellow countrymen in that unarmed fight for another's life. An English writer recently said of him: "Like Nelson, Paul Kruger never knew what fear meant."

Advice From the Gallery.

Of the Dublin gallery boys a famous baritone, in his reminiscences, tells some facetious tales—one of "Faust," in which he played Valentin.

After the duel, Martha, who rushed in at the head of the crowd, raised his head and held him in her arms, during the first part of the scene, and cried out in evident alarm: "Oh, what shall I do?" There was a deathlike stillness in the house, which was interrupted by a voice from the gallery calling out: "Unbutton his waistkit!"—London Spare Moments.

Vice-President Hobart is improving in health. He is able to sit up and read a short time.

DISPENSARY SHOOTING.

Friends of Each Party Join in a Bloody Battle.

SELLERS, S. C., Nov. 14.—A short while before dark this evening the streets of Bamberg were the scene of a serious and probably fatal shooting affray, as the result of which Mr. John C. Sellers, a prominent and highly respected citizen of the town, is seriously wounded at the home of his son-in-law, Mr. Maxey Watson; Mr. Ben Sellers is wounded in the abdomen, Dr. Henry Edwards has a load of bird shot in his chest and J. Dudley Haselden, member of the State board of control, has a 38-calibre pistol ball in his leg.

The affair seems to be the culmination of a letter supposed to have been written by Mr. Ben Sellers to a paper some weeks since, accusing Mr. Haselden of dispensing liquors from his home, near this place. Yesterday morning Mr. Ben Sellers received a message from Mr. Haselden asking him to come over to his gun, which is located about a mile from here, near the Haselden homestead. Mr. Sellers went over to Mr. Haselden's at an early hour this morning, and the business between the two gentlemen was quickly settled, after which Mr. Haselden accused Mr. Sellers of being the author of the above mentioned article. Mr. Sellers emphatically denied the charge, and some hot words followed, each gentleman abusing the other. At this juncture Mr. Haselden drew his pistol, but made no effort to use it. Mr. Sellers was unarmed and said that he had no place to settle the matter.

This morning shortly after the difficulty at Mr. Haselden's gun house, Mr. Haselden, in company with his brother, L. M. Haselden, Dr. Edwards and Aubrey Evans, drove into Sellers, where they stopped for a short while and engaged in conversation with several citizens, and left, it is supposed for Marion. Nothing more was seen of Mr. Haselden and the gentlemen accompanying him until a short while before dark, when they drove in from toward Marion, both buggies stopping side by side on the south end of the depot, directly over the railroad tracks.

At this moment Mr. Ben Sellers, who had up to that time been in the post-office, walked out on the platform, and as soon as he appeared he was fired at from the buggy containing Mr. Haselden and Mr. Evans. The ball, which was fired from a 38-calibre pistol, struck Mr. Sellers squarely in the stomach and lefted upward. The next shot fired struck Mr. Sellers in the left hand, entering between the second and third fingers, breaking the thumb and coming out.

Immediately after the second shot Mr. Sellers pulled his pistol and opened fire upon the occupants of that buggy. At this moment the two buggies separated, one going a short distance up the railroad track and the rear one to the left, a short distance below. The second buggy contained Haselden and Evans. When the buggy came to a standstill Mr. Haselden got out and walked toward a dwelling house some distance from the platform, from which point he fired several shots. Owing to the fact that Mr. John C. Sellers came upon the scene at this moment, it is not known upon whom Mr. Haselden's shots took effect.

When Mr. Sellers rushed out upon the platform to the aid of his son, he drew his pistol and opened fire upon Evans, who was then the only occupant of the buggy. The other buggy at that time contained Dr. Edwards, who was armed with a rifle. He wheeled his horse back across the railroad and the rifle fell out on the track and was not picked up until Mr. Haselden's hands came back for it, about 20 minutes later.

Mr. John C. Sellers was wounded with a 44-calibre—apparently a .45—ball—which passed under the left clavicle and came out behind the right shoulder, and was cut out over the spinal column. The third ball entered the left forearm and came out about four inches above the point of entrance.

Dr. T. J. Weatherly of Dillon and Dr. S. P. Watson of Latta are in attendance upon the Messrs. Sellers. Dr. Monroe of Latta and Drs. Badger and McMillan of Marion are attending Messrs. Haselden and Edwards.

That Undistributed Fund. Comptroller General Derham is unwillingly holding the dispensary profits which are to be distributed. He has now distributed all of the deficiency fund except that portion due Bamberg county, if any, and as can be seen he cannot apportion the residue until he knows what is made by Bamberg on the deficiency fund. Mr. Derham has been asking and begging and praying for the reports to be sent in, but Bamberg has not yet sent in its report. The excuse is that the records are in Barnwell county and are not obtainable. Mr. Derham is trying to get the matter straightened out, and as soon as it is done the fund will be distributed. The law on the distribution of the dispensary fund will have to be radically changed, and one very good feature would be to fix an absolute date for the distribution of the fund, and if the distribution is contingent upon reports, then have it so fixed that if those reports are not on file by a certain date, the county not reporting loses all interest and claim upon the fund.—Columbia Correspondence News and Courier.

Hard Nuts to Crack.

THE HORSE QUESTION.—A man sold a horse for \$90, bought him back for \$80, and resold him for \$100. Did he make on the transaction, and how much?

Absence of Children from Church.

In our church we have about two hundred and fifty thousand persons of all ages enrolled as members of the Epworth League. We have also nearly one million persons enrolled as officers and scholars in our Sunday schools. The great majority of these—perhaps four-fifths—are young people. To those who attend the Sunday school only it looks as if we were recruiting a vast army for the Lord—a host of children to take the places of the parents in due time. Is this true? Not if we are to determine by the number of young people and children who attend public worship. And this is a fair way of judging. We can settle the matter only by the number who actually engage in the work. Recruiting stations are worth nothing unless the recruits are put in the field when needed.

One of the noticeable features of the public worship of the day is the absence of children and young people, especially of young men. This is particularly true of our town and city congregations. As the older people are going to church, lads and lassies, and crowds of little folks often accompany by their parents, are going home from Sunday school. The writer has attended public worship at but one place during the past five years where any large proportion of children from the Sunday school remained to hear preaching. The complaint on this score is wide-spread. A writer in one of our leading exchanges puts in few words what is believed to be "the root of the evil." "Our young people have not the habit of church going, because it was not formed for them in childhood by their parents and guardians. They have not lost it, for they have never had it."

The fact is distressing, but we need not be surprised. We are reaping the fruits of our own seed sowing. About thirty years ago we started out the Sunday school orator. He had but one idea, and it embraced only a half truth. That half soon developed into the rankest heresy. He insisted on calling the Sunday school "the nursery of the church," and then called it "the children's church." His success was far beyond his expectation. He drew the children to his way of thinking. Many superintendents and workers accepted his heresy, and not a few acted on the theory that the Sunday school was their time and attention to the exclusion of all other church enterprises. As a pastor we observed the evil and called attention to it. We put ourself on record long years ago as the files of the "Western Methodist" will show. What we foresaw then may now be witnessed every Sunday in town and city churches—congregations without children.

The evil complained of is not the result of a loss of faith in the gospel, or loss of respect for the Christian ministry. It is rather the result of such an appreciation of the Sunday school as leads parents to believe that if their children attend Sunday school it is quite sufficient for one day. Hence they not only excuse them for remaining away from public preaching, but actually plead that to go to Sunday school and preaching both is too much—the tax is too great. No wonder the church going habit is not formed! None but parents can correct this evil. As long as they neglect "sin lieth at the door."

Comparatively few superintendents encourage the evil by precept or example. Some do. We happened to hear one exhort the children to be punctual and faithful to the Sunday school, and then go home and be good little boys and girls—or words to that effect. We felt that "bad seed" were being sown, and though we were not the pastor we could not resist the impulse to correct the false teaching. The best superintendent we were ever associated with knew the purposes, the "metes and bounds" of the Sunday school, its importance as one of the training departments of the Church, and while he only impressed teachers and scholars with this truth, both by precept and example, he magnified the ministry of the word, never failing to exhort teachers and pupils to attend public worship.

The evil complained of must be corrected else our children's children will be total strangers to the Church, not only to public preaching, but to the Sunday school as well. If our congregations are kept up they will have to be gathered from the outside, not from the offspring of today's neglecters of the Lord's house. There is something in this for parents and preachers to ponder.—National Christian Advocate.

A woman at King's Mountain last week attacked and beat with a stick a man who sold her husband whiskey against her protest. From this distance it appears she began at the wrong end; for while the braten man may cease to offend, it is safe to assume that some other man will continue the supply. If the stick had been used on the buyer to the point of inducing reformation the difficulty would have been solved. The King's Mountain woman applied the principle of the prohibition movement, which undertakes to cut off the supply instead of subduing the demand.—Greenville News.

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